

**REMARKS**

Applicant appreciates the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative during the telephonic conversation with Legal Instruments Examiner (LIE) Harmon on March 17, 2005.

Per the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 1, 2005 and based on the telephonic conversation with LIE Harmon on March 17, 2005, Applicant hereby re-submits, in its entirety, the "Amendments to the Claims" section of the Amendment and Response previously filed on December 21, 2004, including the proper status identifiers. Per LIE Harmon's instructions, the status identifiers for independent claims 1 and 77 have been changed from "Amended" to "Currently Amended." No other changes or amendments have been made to the "Amendments to the Claims" section.

**CONCLUSION**

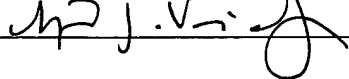
If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1349. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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